

Senate Finance Committee Amendment No. 1, as amended,

Amendment No. 2 to SB2845

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2845*

House Bill No. 3261

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 3, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

§ 37-3-112.

(a) On or before January 1, 2007, the commissioner of the department of health, shall designate up to five (5) publicly supported programs within the state as model programs worthy of emulation with respect to one (1) or more of the following activities:

(1) Family life education;

(2) Prevention of teenage pregnancy, including abstinence-based programs;

(3) Counseling services for teenagers who are, or who may think they are, pregnant;

(4) Prenatal care for teenage mothers;

(5) Parenting skills education for teenagers;

(6) Job training and placement for teenage parents; or

(7) Educational and support services for teenage parents.

(b) Prior to designating the model programs, nominations shall be solicited from across the state. In selecting such model programs, due consideration shall be given to the level of community acceptance and support for such programs and to the techniques by which such acceptance and support have been achieved. Due consideration shall also be given to the tangible impact such programs have achieved in combating the problems associated with teenage pregnancy.

(c) Subject to the availability of funding for such purposes as contained within the fiscal year 2006-07 budget of the department of health, state grants shall be awarded to

the model programs selected pursuant to the provisions of this section. The dollar amount of each such grant so awarded shall be determined by the commissioner of the department of health after consultation with the commissioner of education. Payment of any such grant to any such model program shall be conditional upon the willingness of the chief administrative officer of the program to provide informational and consultative assistance to those agencies of state or local government which may desire to emulate, in whole or in part, such model program. Any such grant so received by a publicly supported agency shall be in addition to all other public funds which may be otherwise appropriated to such agency and it is not intended to supplant any other funding resource. Any funds not paid to a model program by June 30, 2007, shall revert to the general fund.

(d) The state officials designated in subsection (a) shall undertake appropriate activities to publicize their activities in implementing the provisions of this section and to publicize the activities and achievements of the model programs.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.